AMENDMENTS

In the Claims

The following is a marked-up version of the claims with the language that is underlined ("___") being added and the language that contains strikethrough ("___") being deleted:

- 1.-20. (Canceled)
- 21. (Currently Amended) A method to make a reply call to a voice mail message, comprising:

receiving a communication request from a voicemail server, the communication request resulting from a subscriber accessing a voicemail message created by a caller via the voicemail server and further resulting from the subscriber sending a command to connect the subscriber with the caller;

connecting a communication between the subscriber and the caller without utilization of the voicemail server; server, wherein connecting a communication between the subscriber and the caller includes routing the communication through a directory number associated with the subscriber, such that the communication appears to originate from the directory number associated with the directory number; and

in response to an indication to disconnect the communication between the subscriber and the caller, reconnecting the subscriber with the voicemail server.

- 22. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21, wherein connecting the subscriber and the caller without utilization of the voicemail server includes receiving a release message from the voicemail server.
- 23. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22, wherein the release message includes a remote operation (RO) parameter including a reply telephone number for connecting the caller and the subscriber and an identifier communication.
- 24. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22, wherein the release message includes a GR-1129 message.
 - 25. (Canceled)
- 26. (Currently Amended) The method of elaim 25, claim 21, wherein routing the communication to a directory number associated with the subscriber includes utilizing an Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) User Part (ISUP) message.
- 27. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21, further comprising facilitating termination of the communication at an Intelligent Network Element (INE).
- 28. (Previously Presented) A system for making a reply call to a voice mail message, comprising:

a receiving component configured to receive a communication request from a voicemail server, the communication request resulting from a subscriber accessing a voicemail message created by a caller via the voicemail server and further resulting from the subscriber sending a command to connect the subscriber with the caller;

a connecting component configured to facilitate a communication between the subscriber and the caller without utilization of the voicemail server; server, wherein facilitating a communication between the subscriber and the caller includes routing the communication through a directory number associated with the subscriber, such that the communication appears to originate from the directory number associated with the subscriber to facilitate creation of a billing record entry associated with the directory number; and

a reconnecting component configured to, in response to an indication to disconnect the communication between the subscriber and the caller, reconnect the subscriber with the voicemail server.

- 29. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 28, wherein connecting the subscriber and the caller without utilization of the voicemail server includes receiving a release message from the voicemail server.
- 30. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 29, wherein the release message includes a remote operation (RO) parameter including a reply telephone number and an identifier for the communication.

- 31. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 29, wherein the release message includes a GR-1129 message.
 - 32. (Canceled)
- 33. (Previously Presented) The system of elaim 32, claim 28, wherein routing the communication to a directory number associated with the subscriber includes utilizing an Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) User Part (ISUP) message.
- 34. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 28, further comprising a termination component configured to facilitate termination of the communication at an Intelligent Network Element (INE).
- 35. (Previously Presented) A computer readable medium configured to make facilitate initiation of a reply call to a voice mail message, comprising:

logic configured to receive a communication request from a voicemail server, the communication request resulting from a subscriber accessing a voicemail message created by a caller via the voicemail server and further resulting from the subscriber sending a command to connect the subscriber with the caller;

logic configured to facilitate a communication between the subscriber and the caller without utilization of the voicemail server; server, wherein connecting a communication between the subscriber and the caller includes routing the communication through a directory number associated with the subscriber, such that the communication appears to originate from the

directory number associated with the subscriber to facilitate creation of a billing record entry associated with the directory number; and

logic configured to, in response to an indication to disconnect communication between the subscriber and the caller, reconnect the subscriber with the voicemail server.

- 36. (Previously Presented) The computer readable medium of claim 35, wherein connecting the subscriber and the caller without utilization of the voicemail server includes receiving a release message from the voicemail server.
- 37. (Previously Presented) The computer readable medium of claim 36, wherein the release message includes a remote operation (RO) parameter including a reply telephone number and an identifier for the communication.
- 38. (Previously Presented) The computer readable medium of claim 36, wherein the release message includes a GR-1129 message.
 - 39. (Canceled)
- 40. (Currently Amended) The computer readable medium of elaim 39, claim 35, wherein routing the communication to a directory number associated with the subscriber includes utilizing an Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) User Part (ISUP) message.